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Washington Letter.

BY TAVENNER.

(Not in type for last issue but crowded out.)

Washington, May 7.—The democrats, assisted by the fighting progressive republicans, have forced the administration to abandon some of the worst of the corporation-serving clauses placed in the railroad regulation bill by Attorney General Wickersham.

Wickersham framed this bill after a conference with six railroad presidents. Wall street knew long in advance of the public appearance of the bill that it would be so drawn as to annul the Sherman anti-trust law. Railroad interests bought and sold stock on the strength of their advance information.

Had the railroad regulation bill become a law as prepared by Wickersham, it would have practically destroyed all that has been accomplished in the last twenty years to give the government some measure of control over the railroads of the country.

No attorney general of the United States has ever been revealed in just the position Mr. Wickersham now occupies.

Instead of having drawn a bill that would tend to place greater safeguards about the rights of the people of the United States, as might naturally be expected from a public officer who is receiving a salary on the assumption that he is giving such protection to the people, Wickersham has been charged on the floor of the Senate with having attempted to take from the masses even such inadequate safeguards as they now enjoy, while at the same time giving the corporate interests the right to merge and do other things that the Sherman law has forbidden them from doing.

At the time of Wickersham's appointment it was asserted that he had been selected by President Taft in deference to the wishes of the corporations of the country, who had spent money and coerced workmen to vote the Republican ticket, and who demanded as compensation for this service the privilege of naming the attorney general.

The unusual interest of special privilege in this office may be realized at full value when it is understood that the attorney general is in absolute charge of the prosecuting machinery of the government.

Whether Wickersham's appointment really was the result of a pre-election arrangement or not the trusts have had no occasion to be dissatisfied with the President's selection. Whenever the rights of the people and special privilege come into conflict, Mr. Wickersham decides favorably to the corporate interests and against the people. This is what the records of his office show.

President Taft's definition of a "Republican" member of Congress is one who will vote for legislation indorsed by him whether said congressman believes the legislation is good or bad.

The President complains that the insurgents visit him at the White House and assure him of their great personal respect and well-wishes, and then go to the Capitol and vote against his railroad regulation bill.

"Why do you act this way?" a progressive Republican was asked. "Do you not respect the President of the United States?"

"I do, indeed, respect the President, both personally and officially," was the

reply. "But I have even more respect for the welfare of 90,000,000 people of this country. The President sends the Congress a railroad regulation bill which absolutely annuls the Sherman anti-trust law. Along with the bill comes the ultimatum that our vote on this measure will be considered a test of our Republicanism. Wickersham, who drew the infamous document, says that the Republicans who refuse to vote for the measure are socialists. We are willing to show all proper respect to the President, but he seems to fail to understand that a distinct moral question is involved. As between serving our conscience or the President, we are put to the painful necessity of forsaking the President and voting against his railroad bill."

Name Principal and Assistant.

Sidney Telegraph:

At a meeting of the school board held last Saturday, Prin. E. C. Ringer of North Platte was elected superintendent of the Sidney schools for the ensuing year and J. A. Hanna of Alliance was elected principal of the high school.

Superintendent-elect Ringer is now principal of the North Platte high school, a position that he has held for the last two years and to which he had been re-elected for the ensuing year, but he had made arrangements with his school board to be released in the event of his election here. It was his intention to bring his family to Sidney about August first. Supt. Ringer is a man who has made good in the educational world and we feel sure that he will be highly successful here as he was elsewhere. Sidney people will be glad to welcome him and his estimable family into their midst.

Prof. J. A. Hanna who was elected to the principalship of the high school is now instructor in the Alliance high school. He was re-elected there but desired a principalship so did not accept the position offered him. He is a Peru graduate, takes great interest in athletics and debating, and is well qualified to carry forward the work for which Mr. Cline has laid so sure a foundation here.

Trade at Home

Morrill Mail:

The other day we were in the bank and heard a gentleman get a money order for a neat little sum made payable to Sears, Roebuck & Co. An hour afterwards we were in one of the stores and heard this gentleman ask the merchant to sell him goods on time; this the merchant did, not even taking the man's note.

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